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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PETITION TO REVIVE

APPLICANT: Robert Priegnitz, et al. GROUP ART UNIT: 2838
SERIAL NO.: 09/768,504 EXAMINER: G. Laxton
FILING DATE: January 25, 2001 CONFIRMATION NO.: 5322
INVENTION: ACTIVE GATE CLAMP CIRCUIT FOR SELF DRIVEN
SYNCHRONOUS RECTIFIERS

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicants hereby petition for revival of the above-identified application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) as unintentionally abandoned. Enclosed is a check in the amount of the fee and an RCE application with a Petition for Extension of Time.

In particular, the present application was rejected in a final rejection dated May 15, 2002. An Amendment After Final in response to the final rejection was filed with a petition for a one month extension of time on September 16, 2002. In response, the Examiner issued an Advisory Action on September 30, 2002, refusing entry of the Amendment After Final on the grounds that it raised new issues that would require further consideration or search. The six month response period for the final action ended on November 15, 2002, without further action. The application is therefore presumed to be abandoned, even though no notice of abandonment has been received.

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The abandonment of this application was entirely inadvertent. There was no intention on the part of the Applicants or patent owner to abandon the application.

The entire delay in filing the RCE application from the date of abandonment until the filing of the enclosed RCE is entirely unintentional.

The requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)(1) are thus met by the enclosed RCE and petition for extension of time, the fee under 1.137(b)(2) is enclosed, the statement under 1.137(b)(3) is set forth above, and no terminal disclaimer is required under 1.137 (b)(4) since the present application was filed after June 8, 1995. Thus, all of the requirements for revival of the application under Rule 1.137(b) are met.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby request that the present application be revived.

Early favorable consideration of the present petition is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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